

DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Regarding:

Document FCC 16-53, Comments in Support of FCC Proposed Rule

to Transition From TTY to Real-Time Text Technology

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB), State of Hawaii, submits the comments herein on the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) proposed rule to Transition From TTY to Real-Time Text Technology, published in the Federal Register on May 25, 2016.

The Board is in general support of the FCC's proposal to transition from outdated TTY technology to a reliable and interoperable means of providing real-time text (RTT) communication for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, speech disabled, and deaf-blind over Internet Protocol (IP) enabled networks and services.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed rule. Please direct any inquiries to me, Francine Wai, Executive Director, at the above address or telephone number.

Sincerely,

FRANCINE WAI Executive Director